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Mr. Hank Snyder, Resource Management Specialist
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Dear Hank:

On June 28, 1984, I had the opportunity to conduct an aerial survey of the Parkway and Great Falls while flying with the U. S. Park Police. The purpose of the survey was to detect the presence of suspected gypsy moth defoliation.

I am happy to report that no defoliation evident from the air was observed. While the gypsy moth is established along the Parkway and in the Great Falls area, the population has not yet reached a level where noticeable defoliation is occurring.

The results of male moth trapping and egg mass surveys will give us a better idea of what can be expected next year. I appreciate the efforts of you and your staff in the trapping program. Once I get the final results, we can make some plans for egg mass surveys.

Sincerely,

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Entomologist

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